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**Letter No. 21 from the President (Syngman Rhee) to
Minister Duk Shin Choi**

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Summary:

President Rhee briefly responds to Choi Duk Shin's previous suggestions for industrial improvement.

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To: Minister Duk Shin Choi

From: The President

Thank you for your weekly report No. 19 dated October 12.

I read with great interest your suggestion in regard to the industrial improvement which is carried out but without the endeavor to bring up the management and technique to a modern level. We have so many people going abroad but I really don't know what they do when they come back. They do not seem to be able to apply the gain they have made by traveling in foreign countries. To see is one thing and to apply what you have seen needs fundamental knowledge which most of our people lack.

Some of your suggestions have been copied out and I shall take them up with the respective ministers to see what could be done.

We enjoyed meeting the Vietnamese delegation who attended the Asian Youth and Students' Anti-Communist Conference. They presented a very lovely painting which I treasure highly. I think the members are very fine young people.

I am making this report very briefly as I have to leave for Pochon to attend the ceremony marking the first anniversary of the founding of Fifth Corps.